

BARTON COUNTY DEMOCRAT.

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GREAT BEND, KANSAS.

The "melon cholic" days are come. The penciling of the court house is in full blast.

Native watermelons are already appearing on the market.

It appears the rain only extended a few miles west of town yesterday.

Mrs. Easley, of Hutchinson, is in the city, visiting with the family of W. M. Ireland.

"When you are down my way, drop in," remarked the well-water to the "old-oaken bucket."

The wires are now up along the Missouri Pacific track between this city and Hoisington, and will be all ready for operation in a few days.

W. E. Carr, of Elmwood, Kansas, a former resident of this city, long years ago, was in the city Tuesday talking up the advantages and beauties of his state, and distributing some advertising matter concerning his county—Barton.—Geneva, (Ill.) Herald.

We have heard it rumored that the business men on South Main street, who raised a fund to erect a bandstand, will go right to work to put up the stand. We would like to see the business men of the city put in their mites and build a handsome, centrally located stand for the Citizens' band.

The strong wind Tuesday blew the old Methodist church into a cocked hat. The front had been taken out of it to prepare it for store rooms, and there being nothing to brace it east and west it took a lurch to the west and now leans up against McGuire & Moorehouse's paint shop like a prop to a gate post.

Following are the marriage licenses issued by Probate Judge Ogle since the 4th instant:

John S. Johnson to Mary B. Burchwell, Chas Weber to Elizabeth McCullough, John F. Smith to Anna Brew, Orrin Reynolds to Ida Cutler, George Wheatlen to Clara Arnold, and Marshal N. Jones to Maggie Dodge.

Mr. S. H. Mitchell, an old-time Barton county man, but whose home is now in Longton, Elk county, is in the city shaking hands with friends and recounting the experiences of early days. Mr. Mitchell looks well and hearty, and says he feels as fresh as a boy of sixteen. He reports "Bob" running a paper at Tecumseh, Neb., Emma living with her husband in Elk county, and Georgia and her husband at Kinsley.

A case tried before Squire Crum-mack Monday, in which Dr. Chester sued Beach & Bentley on an attachment to recover the value of a horse, was decided in favor of Chester. It appears that some weeks ago the said Beach & Bentley traded a son of Dr. Chester a worthless pony, which died in a day or so afterwards, for a good horse of the Doctor's, who got out an attachment on a team belonging to the defendants to recover the value of the horse.

The Ladies' society, of the Presbyterian church, while appreciating the kindness of the Ladies' society of the Congregational church in offering them a share of the proceeds of the Old Folks' concert, yet decline with thanks the offer, as it is contrary to the wish of all the Presbyterians who assisted in the concert, and as the society took no part in the entertainment, and regard it an injustice to share the proceeds. Resolutions to this effect were sent to the Ladies' society of the Congregational church.

The School Board let the contract for building the school houses to the lowest bidders—the Morrison Brothers—for the sum of \$16,863.35. If the fall weather is such as to allow the work of building to proceed, the buildings will both be completed in the early winter; otherwise, the two will not be completed this fall. The Board will rent rooms for the schools until the buildings are ready. Two additional teachers were elected, Miss Long, of Barton county, and Miss Beards, from Iowa. The corps will not, perhaps, be increased at the present, owing to the want of rooms for the additional schools that it was intended to open.

James Sweet is on our streets again as large as life.

Mr. Arthur Hill, of Hartland, this state, is in the city on a visit to his brother, E. G. Hill.

Miss Annie Miller, of Albia, Iowa, is in the city visiting with Mrs. J. R. Hays and Mrs. Will Miller.

The man with the bird whistle is around on his annual tour, and the air is full of music and baked ozone.

Mrs. G. W. Nimocks starts on a visit to friends and relatives in Eldon, Iowa, to-morrow, to be gone during the summer.

W. F. Denman, of the live real estate firm of Denman & Evans, of Larned, has been in the metropolis a day or so, taking in the fun.

Joe Troilett and C. P. Townsley are getting in the flagstone for the new pavement in front of their places of business on Forest avenue.

A heavy hail storm, which stripped the corn of its leaves and cut water-melons all to pieces, is reported from south of the river about five miles.

Mr. and Mrs. Pope, of Walnut, Kans., are here visiting with Mrs. P's sister, Mrs. O. A. Martin. They are thinking of locating in this part of the state.

L. B. Coss was in town Tuesday, and when the rain came he appeared to be anxious about knowing whether it reached Clarence township or not. We hope it did.

J. W. Brown and wife and Mrs. Ford were up to Hoisington Tuesday. They report that from Hoisington it appeared as though quite a good rain was passing north of that town.

The papers of our neighboring cities are full of items telling about the ravages of sneak thieves. Great Bend has had few cases to report, but it is well for our people to be on the look out for this vile class.

The columns of our exchanges begin to assume the regulation appearance at this time of year of having run out of everything but nonpareil leaders and figures. The delinquent tax lists are now the absorbing topics.

Our two new school buildings are to be of brick, trimmed in Cottonwood stone; will be two stories high, and have four large rooms each. The buildings will be heated by steam, and have all the modern appliances and conveniences.

Spencer & Spencer have begun the building of a handsome frame residence for W. W. Winstead, on Broadway, just west of W. H. Dodge's to cost when completed about \$2,100. They are also preparing to build a handsome residence for Sheriff J. S. Dalziel, in the east end of the city.

The Old Folks' Concert.

One of the most delightful affairs it has been our pleasure to witness for many a day was the Old Folks' concert Friday night at the opera house. We hardly know how to write a notice that will do justice to the occasion. Everything moved along as smoothly as in the good old days when people did not worry about the price of corner lots or a new gown. When the curtain arose on the opening piece a jolly ripple of merriment spread over the audience and put the people in the best of humor for the entire evening. The costumes were, in the main, true to the taste and times of our grandfathers, and each actor and actress carried out his or her part splendidly. We doubt if half the people present knew who the old gentleman with the cane was, some saying they did not believe it possible that George Young could get himself up in that sort of rig.

Mrs. Dr. S. H. Ayres was the musical director, and she appeared to manage the assembled performers with the skill of a Thomas or a Mondesson. The names of those taking part in the entertainment are: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wood, Mr. Will E. Harper, Mrs. J. F. Fort, Mrs. Estella Dean, Mrs. Jennie Castle, Misses Andrews, Katie Brinkman, Florence Townsley, Nannie Shouse, Lida Norton, Messrs. George H. Young, Will Glenn, Chan Townsley, Noelke, Bosworth and Epperson.

The wonderful performances on the humaniphone was well worth the price of admission. In fact, we again reiterate that the whole entertainment was the most enjoyable affair Great Bend has gotten up for many a day.

FROM CLARENCE.

Very dry.

Mrs. Branner is recovering. Mr. Jurgensen's new residence is a "stunner."

Mr. Ummen has completed a large smoke house.

Henry Gagerman moved into his new residence Monday.

Thomas Jurgensen of Great Bend, is rusticated in Clarence.

Services were held at the Lutheran church last Sunday.

Our citizens picniced in Curry's grove on the Fourth.

Mr. D. Bird was down to the county's capital Monday.

The ice cream festival on the 8th inst., was well attended.

A large number of our citizens attended the celebration at Larned.

Mr. Frank Klumsky is over from Rush county, visiting friends.

Mr. H. L. Wood was out from Great Bend last week, making calls.

Mr. C. Reeder's oat crop will average fifty bushels to the acre.

Mrs. G. Hale, of Great Bend, was the guest of Mrs. Frank Cline last week.

The chinch bugs stand on the growing corn, where all of them have fled.

Messrs. Thompson and Culverton, of Larned, were the guests of C. Reeder last week.

In a recent storm the electrical fluid struck Mr. Frank Cline's stable. Damages slight.

Did the persons who make daily pilgrimages to the Dry Walnut to pilfer the fruit which is so plentiful, ever stop to think of the eighth commandment, and that the law provides punishment for its violation? Patience has ceased to be a virtue with the owners, and some means will speedily be adopted to make it understood that a man has first right to his own property.

BUCKEYE.

PAWNEE ROCK ITEMS.

Some cornfields show signs of giving up the ghost.

Six big men to one little bottle of malt! Oh, rats!

Rev. W. L. Swartz preached to a full house on Sunday night.

Our marshal is still hammering away on the sidewalks and street-crossings.

D. R. Jones and O. B. Wilson, of Great Bend, are paying their respects to the Rockites this week.

Extract of malt is all the go. Wonder whether it will, anyhow, or what the boys drink it for?

There is a fair prospect in the western sky for a rain, and all mankind is looking pleasant accordingly.

James Tarpy hauled two loads of the finest oats we have seen through this place to Larned on Tuesday.

Mayor Bunting is still rusticated at Larned, and J. B. Williams and Tom Scamahorn are gone on a land trade to Arkansas.

There's no use trying to convince anyone that "prohibition don't prohibit," else why should they call it "malt extract," or "mineral water" now?

Pawnee Rock is distressingly healthy now, and our M. D.s prevailed on Charlie Vosburg to bring in a load of watermelons to give them a boom.

J. H. Daniels got a whole barrel of "mineral water" (?) sent to him by Phil Best, of Kansas City, this week. H. will have lots of good friends while it lasts.

J. B. Hardy struck out for Ness City this morning to look after his city property there. J. B.'s investment in real estate throughout the western part of Kansas is quite extensive.

Inasmuch as the political pot is showing unmistakable signs of ebullition, a few words will not be out of place on that subject. Let the Democrats keep cool while the Republicans hatch out a few more candidates for the county offices.

N. H.

List of Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining uncalled for at the Great Bend postoffice for the week ending July 20, 1887.

Ashley Arthur
Boswell Sarah Mrs
Booth Julius
Bovis Alma Mrs
Crawley M Miss
Diddy D E
Danby Nuke
Dodge Jno Mrs
Donaldson E A
Edwards Huts
Forrester M Mrs
Harper George
Hahn August
Keller R Mrs
Keller R H Mrs
Lafrance L Miss
Myers S A
Murphy H T
Milholland L H
McCauley Sallie
Meade A C Mrs
Roberts J S
Smith B B
Semmes Stella Miss
Smith L P
Storer L D
Soyster J Mrs
Ferrell E S
Templin Frank
Winship W C
Woodcock G Miss
Woods Joseph W
When asking for above letters, say Advertisers.
H. P. BAIN, P. M.

We have wondered for some days at the constant smile upon the countenance of R. T. Ewalt, supposing probably he had made some more unusually good real estate deals in college addition property. It now transpires that the cause of all his good spirits recently has been the arrival of a bouncing grandson, who will be a week old to-morrow, at the home of M. C. Snyder.

LOST.—On the evening of July 4th, in E. R. Moses' yard or between there and C. P. Townsley's, a black silk lace scarf. Return to this office and receive reward.

MOX NIX AUS! Free Shoes FOR NEW BABIES.

The proprietor of GOITS Shoe Store wishes to become acquainted with all new comers and will positively give a pair of shoes free to all babies born in Barton county during the year commencing May 1, 1887. Call and furnish name and date of birth and let me see the baby.

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LOOK FOR EXCHANGE GROCERY

New Store, New Goods.
Staple and Fancy Groceries.
ONE DOOR EAST
Of Buckland's Land Office.

We do not handle any other nick-nacks but everything in the grocery and tobacco line, therefore, can sell you as cheap as the cheapest. We will pay the highest price for country produce of all kinds. We ship our produce and can afford to pay more.

Jos. Hodish,
Proprietor.

CHICAGO COTTAGE ORGAN

Has attained a standard of excellence which admits of no superior. It contains every improvement that inventive genius, skill and money can produce.

OUR
AIR
IS
TO
EXCEL
EVERY
ORGAN
WARRANTED
FOR
FIVE
YEARS

These excellent Organs are celebrated for volume, quality of tone, quick response, variety of combination, artistic design, beauty in finish, perfect construction, making them the most attractive, ornamental and desirable organs for homes, schools, churches, lodges, societies, etc.

ESTABLISHED REPUTATION.
UNEQUALLED FACILITIES.
SKILLED WORKMEN.
BEST MATERIAL.
COMBINED, MAKE THIS
THE POPULAR ORGAN

Instruction Books and Piano Stools.
Catalogues and Price Lists, on application, FREE.

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831 BLUE ISLAND AVE.,
CHICAGO, ILL.

THE GREAT REGULATOR SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR PURELY VEGETABLE.

Are You Bilious?
The Regulator never fails to cure. I most cheerfully recommend it to all who suffer from Bilious Attacks or any Disease caused by a disordered state of the Liver.
KANSAS CITY, MO. W. R. BERNARD.

Do You Want Good Digestion?
I suffered intensely with Full Stomach, Headache, etc. A neighbor, who had taken Simmons' Liver Regulator, told me it was a sure cure for my trouble. The first dose I took relieved me very much, and in one week's time I was as strong and hearty as ever I was. It is the best medicine I ever took for Dyspepsia.
RICHMOND, VA. H. G. CRENSHAW.

Do You Suffer from Constipation?
Testimony of HIRSH WALKER, Chief Justice of Ga.: "I have used Simmons' Liver Regulator for Constipation of my Bowels, caused by a temporary Deangement of the Liver, for the last three or four years, and always with decided benefit."

Have You Malaria?
I have had experience with Simmons' Liver Regulator since 1865, and regard it as the greatest medicine of the times for diseases peculiar to malarial regions. So good a medicine deserves universal commendation.
Rev. M. E. WHARTON,
Cor. Sec'y Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Do You Feel Good for Nothing?
For some time my Liver has been out of order, and I felt generally good for nothing. I was induced to try Simmons' Liver Regulator. Its action was quick and thorough. It is not unpleasant; is mild in its action, and is an excellent remedy.
MORRIS, IOWA. J. R. HILLARD.

Are You Subject to Sick Headache?
I use Simmons' Liver Regulator when troubled seriously with Headaches, caused by Constipation; it produces a favorable result without hindering my regular pursuits in business.
DES MOINES, IOWA. W. W. WITMER.

Safer and Better than Calomel!
I have been subject to severe spells of Constipation of the Liver, and have been in the habit of taking from fifteen to twenty grains of calomel, which generally laid me up for three or four days. Lately I have been taking Simmons' Liver Regulator, which gave me relief, without any interruption to business.
MIDDLBURY, Ohio. J. HUGG.

THERE IS BUT ONE SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR!
See that you get the genuine, with the red Z on front of wrapper, prepared only by
J. H. ZEILIN & CO.,
SOLE PROPRIETORS, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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A. S. ALLEN, The youngest man, but The Oldest Druggist in the Arkansas Valley.

Dealer in

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7 PER CENT. LOANS!

WITH PRIVILEGE TO PAY AT ANY TIME!

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PAPERS ARE SIGNED!

A. H. BAKER,
HOISINGTON, KAS.

FOR A SQUARE MEAL, CALL AT THE BARTON COUNTY BAKERY & RESTAURANT.

FRESH BREAD, PIES, CAKES

And a full line of Confectioneries constantly on hand. Also a full line of Fresh Groceries, which we sell at the lowest prices.

DAY BOARDERS WANTED. GIVE US A TRIAL.
FELDKAMP & COMPANY

Palmer & Moore, Real ESTATE Brokers, Loan and Insurance Agents.

HAVE FOR SALE

Improved Farms and City Property. Farm Loans a Specialty.

At 6 per cent.

With Privilege to pay After One YEAR.

Main Street. GREAT BEND, Kas.

Coming In All Its Overpowering Majesty

And Universally Acknowledged Greatness, Immense Amplitudinous and All-Overshadowing Magnificence.

Drawn by its own huge locomotives and filling its own great trains. The greatest, grandest, and in all things best amusement enterprise ever organized.

Dorris & Colvin's Colossal Shows Combined!

Circus, Menagerie, New Wild West and Roman Hippodrome.



Will Exhibit at Great Bend, Kas., Thursday, August 18.

Wild West Scenes; Hippodrome Races; Circus acts without number; Acrobatic Gymnastics, Contortionistic, Acrobatic and Athletic; Six Simultaneous Acts on Hippodrome track, in Rings, on Elevated stage, and high in the ambient Air.

Mr. William Dutton,
Champion Soursault Bareback Rider of the world.
Miss Ella Stokes,
Champion Lady Bareback Rider of the world.

Wm. O'Dell, the Great, and 20 other celebrated bareback riders. Mr. Chas. Lowry, Senior Barata and Mons. Lerona, the Prince of Hurdle riders and others. Miss Lotta, the Queen of the upper air, who is shot from a canon, the entire length of our huge tent, and who dives head foremost from the top of the center pole. Miss Lizzetta, the flying woman, in trapeze feats extraordinary. Loa and Ruge, the greatest contortionists in the world. The Boneless wonders, in amazing serpentine convulsions contortionistic. Louis Inson; Miss Sinot; The Great Tatsuma, the Prince of the Wondrous Isle, in ambidextrous Juggling and gravity-defying equilibristic exercises extraordinary.

The Greatest and Grandest Roman Hippodrome ever seen 'neath God's blue sky. Dashing steeds with blooded, reckless riders. Dashing drivers in furious whirlwind Roman chariots. Standing Centaurs in Roman Standing Races. Hippodrome heroes and heroines in running, trotting and all kinds of races.

Capt. Elmer E. Stubbs, the champion shot of the world. The wild west heroes and heroines in our grand menagerie.

Our Grand Free Street Parade

The most superlative scene of splendor ever beheld by the eye of mortal man. More Golden Chariots, Blazing Vans, Mythological Tableau Cars, Brilliant Band Wagons, Elephants, Camels, Moose, Zebras, etc. More sights than tongue can tell, FREE to all every morning at 10 o'clock.